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February 1, 2019 BOARD MINUTES

(Approved 3/1/19)

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Michael Maynard	Chairman	✓	
Mr. William Salomaa	Secretary	✓	
Mr. Michael Celona	Vice Chairman	✓	
Mr. Blake Lukis	Member	✓	
Mr. Dave Coppes	Member	✓	
Mr. Andrew Reid	Member	✓	
Mass Labor representative	Vacant		
STAFF	POSITION		
Mr. James O'Connor	Board Counsel	✓	
Larry Lemieux	Executive Director	✓	
DPL - Administrative Assistant	Administrative Assistant		

MEETING CALL TO ORDER: at 9:06 A.M.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

A Motion was made to accept the January 4th, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes (with amendments) by Member Salomaa and 2nd by Member Celona. Board Vote: – Unanimous.

TCH APPLICATIONS

Organization	Course Name	Course ID #	TCH's
EMS Solutions	CPR & First Aid Training	DWT-2019-1	4.5
Practical Applications Inc.	Application Not Processed -	WW Class	
Soteria EHS	Confined Space Entry	DWT-2019-2	4
E.J Prescott Inc.	Improve Your Waterline Longevity	DWT-2019-3	5

TEC APPLICATIONS/PROVISINAL CERTIFICATES

Gloucester DPW water Division PWS ID#: 3107000 Lawrence Durkin T-2

Discussion: Additional information needed. Chairman Maynard will follow-up.

REGULATION REVIEW

Discussion – Certificate of Competency: Member Celona researched to see if any other state Operator Certification programs had “Certificate of Competency” language in their regulations or part of their Operator Certification Program. Member Celona reported that he could find no examples in other state



programs. However, he confirmed that most states recognize Associates in Science Degree (AS) and Bachelor of Science Degree (BS) as educational experience when applying for a license. Since there is no clear definition of what constitutes a “Certificate of Competency” (credits/hours) and it is not defined in DPL regulations or Policies the Board should consider eliminating it from the regulations. Board should consider evaluating the “Educational” requirement on applications using Associates and Bachelor of Science degrees and any applicable course work submitted to the Board with the application. Board will continue to discuss this topic at future meetings.

Board reviewed regulations 236 CMR 2.00 – 5. Made changes. Board will continue to discuss this topic at future meetings.

DISCUSSION:

1. Question from Municipality. Are there any reporting requirements if operator fails drug test? Discussion: that is a collective bargaining issue. In the event that the operator is acting negligently and is a threat to public health the municipality should file a formal complaint with the Board. DPL investigative staff reviews all complaints.

2. Examination cost: Discussion: As a direct result of the Boards review and modification of the existing contract with ABC & PSI (Exam vendor), the cost for a drinking water exam has been reduced from \$144 to \$100. That is a savings of \$44. Per exam. Change was effective 1/2/2019.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Discussion: Jen Pedersen/ MWWA – would like to present at the next Board meeting to discuss Board approval of online training for the Basic Distribution, Basic Treatment & Advanced Treatment Training classes. Courses are currently approved for (In class) training only. The courses are a requirement to sit for the D2-D4 and T2-T4 examinations.

Discussion: Jen Pedersen/ MWWA suggested a modification to the “Application for Certification” cover sheet. Suggested language is “Submit the ABC score report verifying applicant has passed the exam & include copies of all previous exam scores (if available)”.

APPLICATION REVIEW

Licenses	Applied	Action 2/1/19
Kiely, Brian	D1-Full	D1-Full
DeVries, Andrew	T1-Full	T1-Full
Sutton, Calvin	T1-Full	T1-OIT Needs Experience
Bako, Michael	T1-Full	T1-Full
Allard, Lawrence	D1-Full	D1-OIT Needs Experience
Tardie, David	T1-Full	T1-Full
Semple, Kerry	D1-Full	D1-Full
Wood, Gregory	D3-Full	D3-OIT Supervisory Experience only
Moller, Brandon	D1-Full	Needs letter from Supervisor for hours
Willison, William	D1-Full	D1-Full
Buoncuore, Matthew	D2-Full	D2-OIT
Bergman, Sean	D3-Full	D3-Full
Beliveau, Michael	T2-Full	T2-OIT Needs Experience
Morrill, Jeremy	T2-Full	T2-Full – D. Coppes Recused
McConarty, Peter	D1-Full	D1-OIT Needs Exp./not Supervisory

Walsh, William	D1-Full	D1-Full
Walsh, William	D2-Full	D2-OIT Needs Exp/not supervisory
Ventura, Sean	D3-Full	D3-Full
Horton, Anthony	D2-Full	D2-Full
Hadley, Steven	D1-Full	D1-Full
Up-Grades	Applied	
Scagliarini, Sarah	T2-Full	Needs Experience
Leblanc, David	D2-Full	D2-Full
Sloan, Steven	D2-Full	D2-Full
Heaslip, Scott	D1-Full	D1-Full
Heaslip, Scott	T1-Full	T1-Full
Harrington, Bradley	D3-Full	D3-Full
Callahan, James	D2-Full	D2-Full

At 10:45, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Member Coppes and 2nd by Member Lukis. Board Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted By:

Michael J. Maynard

Michael J. Maynard, Chairman
Board of Drinking Water & Supply Facility Operators

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